



Office of the General Counsel

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Dear Mr. Wieber,

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 23, 2012, regarding your request for records relating to aerial drones. The university has identified 45 possible projects that may contain information responsive to your request. Six of the 45 are subject to the ITAR and are exempt from FOIA requests. We believe the remaining 39 projects may contain records responsive to your request, however they will require review for proprietary information and FOIA exemptions, including determination for restricted military application and access, dissemination, publication or participation restrictions. This is mandatory for the military or defense contractor-related programs, which are 26 of them.

We anticipate it will take approximately 30 minutes to 2 hours for review of each project. Using a very conservative estimate of one hour per project, we estimate the cost of this request to be \$1557, although the actual cost could be much higher depending on the amount of review and redaction needed. We anticipate a time frame of 4-6 weeks to compile all documents pursuant to your request.

Estimated cost for records request:

39 projects at 1 hour for review = 39 hours

39 hours @ \$36.64/hour = \$1428.96

3.5 hours @ \$36.64 = \$128.24 already incurred

Our Research Compliance office has already incurred 3.5 hours to investigate the records and determine which projects meet the criteria. As you can see, this is an extensive request and the university will not waive the fees required to produce the information requested. We request prepayment in the amount of \$1000.00 to begin the gathering the records requested.

Sincerely,

/s/

Tanya Perry
Coordinator, Legal Affairs